



**ADDENDUM
PURCHASING OFFICE
CITY OF AUSTIN, TEXAS**

Solicitation: RFP 5500 SMW3005 Addendum No: # 8 Date of Addendum: January 29, 2021

This addendum is to incorporate the following changes to the above referenced solicitation:

I. The following are questions with City responses which have been received in regards to this solicitation:

Question 1: Is the former Home Dept site fully paid-for ?

- **Response:** The property has remaining bond debt. The parcel was originally purchased using 2006 General Obligation Bond funds for new public safety facilities. Until the remaining bond debt is defeased, the parcel can only be used for public safety related purposes. The current temporary use as a COVID testing site is a temporary use for a City public health and safety purpose during the pandemic. This temporary use during an emergency is similar to using a city recreation center during a flood to shelter flood victims.

Question 2: Is the former Home Depot site currently available for temporary use, specifically housing options (transitional, mobile options, camping, tiny homes, etc.) to service the homeless population?

Response: The building is in severe disrepair and is not habitable. The area of the site outside the building is not available for temporary use, such as housing the homeless population. Currently, the site is being used by Austin Public Health for large scale COVID testing operations. These operations are utilizing the entirety of the paved portions of the site, including the parking lot, for patient vehicle stacking, check-in, testing, and parking for emergency staff. As the response to the pandemic evolves to changing needs, this site may transition to include vaccinations.

Question 3: Is the parking lot on the former Home Depot site currently available for temporary use, specifically services (restrooms, storage, food, etc.) to service the homeless population?

Response: The area of the site outside the building is not available for temporary use, such as housing the homeless population. Currently, the site is being used by Austin Public Health for large scale COVID testing operations. These operations are utilizing the entirety of the paved portions of the site, including the parking lot, for patient vehicle stacking, check-in, testing, and parking for emergency staff. As the response to the pandemic evolves to changing needs, this site may transition to include vaccinations.

Question 4: Are electricity and water in ample supply on the former Home Depot site for temporary use?

Response: Water, wastewater, and electricity to the building have not been maintained. Electrical service to the light fixtures in the parking lot remains, but no other utility services are available inside or outside the building structure.

Question 5: Is the existing building on the former Home Depot site deemed habitable as of today?

Response: The building is in severe disrepair and is not habitable

II. ALL OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS REMAIN THE SAME.

ACKNOWLEDGED BY:

Name

Authorized Signature

Date

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